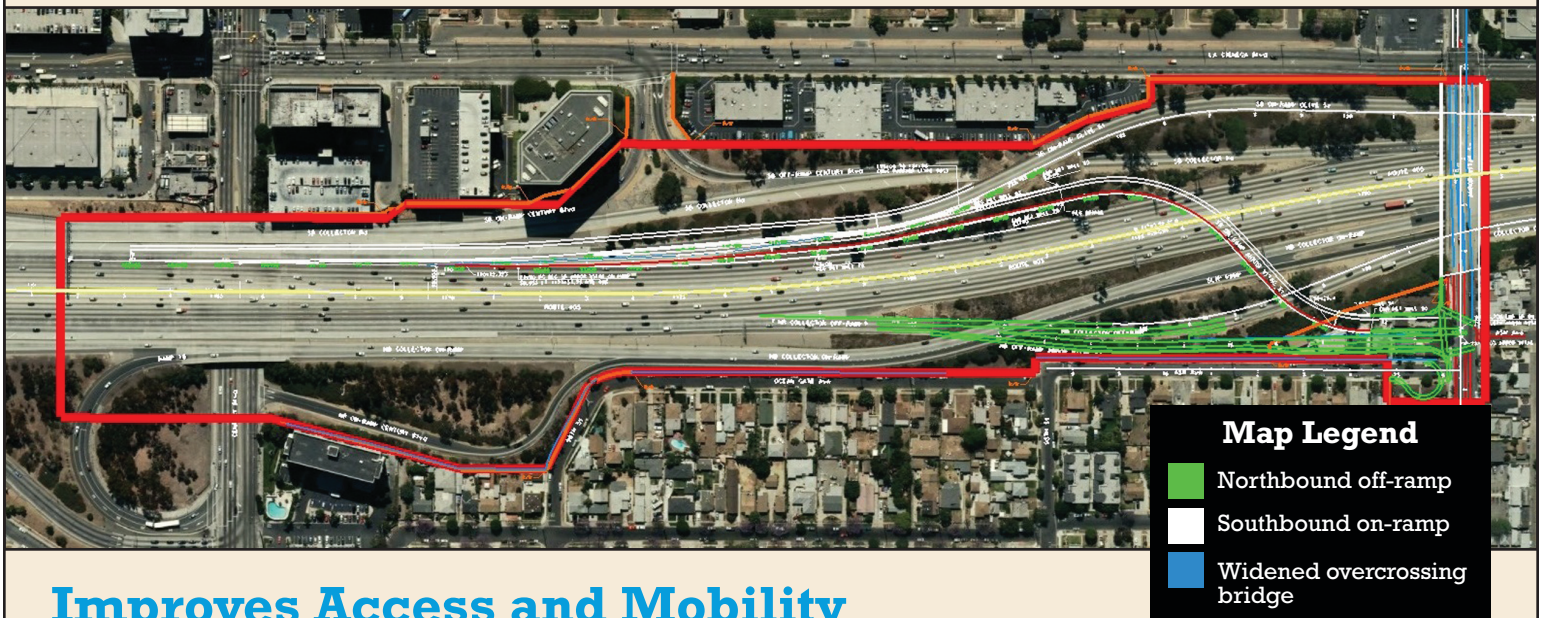




Interstate 405: On- and Off-Ramp Improvements at Arbor Vitae Street

Caltrans proposes improvements to Interstate 405 (I-405) at Arbor Vitae Street (between Century Boulevard and Arbor Vitae Street) in the City of Inglewood:

- New southbound on-ramp
- Reconstruct and widen overcrossing bridge over the I-405 freeway at Arbor Vitae
- New northbound off-ramp
- Replace the Century Boulevard overcrossing structure to accommodate the northbound off-ramp



Improves Access and Mobility

The adjacent interchanges at Manchester and Century Boulevards are heavily congested. The I-405 is the only north-south freeway west of Downtown Los Angeles and heavy congestion occurs on this stretch of the freeway during weekday peak hours and on weekends. Mobility in this neighborhood and the region depend on this vital thoroughfare and these improvements are essential to reduce congestion and travel times. **If current gridlock issues are not addressed now, conditions will only get worse in the future.**

I-405 On- and Off-Ramp Improvements at Arbor Vitae Street will:

- **Enable direct vehicle access** to University of West Los Angeles, Hollywood Park Racetrack and Casino, the Forum, and Centinela Hospital, thereby improving the economic vitality of the surrounding communities
- **Reduce current and future vehicle congestion** along Century and Manchester Boulevards on- and off-ramps and surrounding local streets
- **Improve safety in the project area** along the I-405 corridor by distributing traffic loads among multiple intersections

Reduces Accident Rates

Accident rates within the project area are higher than the statewide average. Traffic congestion is one of the primary factors for collisions on the I-405. This project will not only reduce traffic congestion but the accident rates may be reduced in the future as well.

Addresses Community Issues During Construction

To minimize inconveniences during construction, Caltrans will:

- Construct the project in stages to minimize traffic impacts in the area
- Erect a sound wall prior to beginning other construction activities, if appropriate
- Monitor noise levels to ensure state standards are met
- Equip all vehicles with state-mandated emission control devices
- Implement dust suppression measures
- Add lush landscaping to the sound wall to soften its appearance and deter graffiti

Involves the Public

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act and California Environmental Quality Act, Caltrans has prepared an Environmental Assessment/Initial Study (EA/IS) describing potential effects of the proposed project.

To obtain a copy of the EA/IS, ask questions, or comment:

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